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Dear Interested Party:

Following recommendations by the Washington State Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, the Department of Social and Health Services - Health and Recovery Services Administration (DSHS-HRSA), the Health Care Authority - Uniform Medical Plan (UMP), and the Department of Labor & Industries (L&I) have named the following drugs as preferred in their respective therapeutic classes on the Washington State Preferred Drug List:

Thiazolidinedione Antidiabetic

rosiglitazone (Avandia ®)

Each agency will use the common PDL according to its benefit structure. The Department of Labor & Industries does not cover this class of drugs.

DSHS-HRSA and UMP will implement the Thiazolidinedione Antidiabetic class on October 1, 2006.

If you have other questions or comments regarding this announcement, please contact Erika Clayton at (360) 923-2736 or by email at pdp@hca.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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